



Press Release

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On: UPLAND COTTON ACREAGE UP 7 PERCENT

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AUSTIN . . . Texas **Upland cotton** acreage for 2004 is estimated at 6 million acres, up 7 percent from both 2002 and 2003. The first forecast of harvested acreage and production will be released on August 12, 2004. Planted acreage of **American Pima cotton** is estimated at 17,000 acres, down 15 percent from last year.

According to figures released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service, planted acreage estimates for sorghum, corn, peanuts, winter wheat, hay, drybeans and sunflowers are down from last year. "Some of this year's acreage shifts were a result of higher prices and some were weather related," State Director Robin Roark reported.

Sorghum planted acreage is expected to total 2.8 million acres, down 12 percent from last year. Producers expect to harvest 2.4 million acres, down 16 percent from 2003.

Planted acreage of **corn** is estimated at 1.8 million acres, down 2 percent from 2003; harvested acreage, at 1.6 million acres, is down 3 percent.

Texas's **peanut** planted acreage is estimated at 260,000 acres, 5 percent less than 2003. Harvested acreage is forecast at 250,000 acres, down 7 percent from 2003.

Rice producers have planted 212,000 acres, up 17 percent from 2003.

Acreage planted to **soybeans** is estimated at 250,000 acres, which is a 25 percent increase from last year. Producers expect to harvest 225,000 acres, 25 percent more than last year.

Planted acreage of **winter wheat**, at 6.3 million acres, is down 5 percent from last year. Harvested acreage, at 3.7 million acres, is up 7 percent from last year's crop and up 3 percent from the May forecast.

Texas's harvested acreage for **all hay** is estimated at 4.95 million acres, down 6 percent from last year.

Other planted acreages for 2004 include **dry beans** at 15,000 acres, down 70 percent and **sunflowers** at 45,000 acres, down 24 percent from 2003.

United States Upland cotton acreage is estimated at 13.7 million acres, up 3 percent from last year. Corn acreage, at 81.0 million, is also up 3 percent from 2003, while sorghum acreage is down 14 percent at 8.1 million acres.

Nationally, producers expect to plant 74.8 million acres of soybeans, up 2 percent from 2003, and 1.4 million acres of peanuts, up 3 percent.

Winter wheat planted acreage is estimated at 43.5 million acres, down 3 percent. U.S. producers expect to harvest 34.8 million acres, down 5 percent from last year.

TEXAS CORN: ACRES PLANTED FOR ALL PURPOSES

Districts	2002	2003	2004 ¹	2004 as percent of 2003
	<i>1,000 acres</i>			
1-N	656.0	623.5	600.0	96
4	650.0	616.0	615.0	100
8-N	225.0	195.0	183.0	94
8-S	75.0	-	-	-
9	217.0	181.0	152.0	84
10-N	54.0	-	-	-
Other districts ²	173.0	214.5	250.0	117
STATE	2,050.0	1,830.0	1,800.0	98

TEXAS UPLAND COTTON: ACRES PLANTED FOR ALL PURPOSES

Districts	2002	2003	2004 ¹	2004 as percent of 2003
	<i>1,000 acres</i>			
1-N	800	826	890	108
1-S	2,808	2,735	2,830	103
2-N	357	385	390	101
2-S	479	466	490	105
4	82	115	140	122
7	153	151	180	119
8-N	-	55	75	136
8-S	338	346	365	105
9	230	230	265	115
10-S	227	202	225	111
Other districts ²	126	89	150	169
STATE	5,600	5,600	6,000	107

TEXAS SORGHUM: ACRES PLANTED FOR ALL PURPOSES

Districts	2002	2003	2004 ¹	2004 as percent of 2003
	<i>1,000 acres</i>			
1-N	984	816	600	74
1-S	544	610	400	66
2-S	93	100	100	100
4	241	274	280	102
7	69	64	70	109
8-N	142	136	140	103
8-S	329	365	360	99
9	235	223	200	90
10-N	88	103	85	83
10-S	400	429	480	112
Other districts ²	75	80	85	106
STATE	3,200	3,200	2,800	88

¹ Preliminary June 1. ² Sum of individual districts with less than 50,000 acres planted.

